THE

Theatrical Observer;

AND

Daily Bills of the Play.

"Nothing extenuate, nor set down aught in malice."—*Othello.*

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"The Play's the thing."—Ask for *Thomas's Observer.*

ENGLISH OPERA HOUSE.

MR. F. MATTHEWS took a Benefit here yesterday evening. The performance she selected for the entertainment of his numerous friends were *The Youthful Queen, The Beggar's Opera,* (with Miss Kelly as *Lucy,*) and *Life in the Clouds.*

HAY-MARKET THEATRE.

WALLACK'S re-appearance on the London boards, after so long an absence, was welcomed in the most enthusiastic manner by a very crowded house yesterday evening. He performed *Don Felix,* in *The Wonder,* in a manner which did not fail to ensure the approbation of his auditors, and was greatly applauded, both during and after the piece. In personal apppearance Mr. Wallack appears much thinner than when last we saw him, this may be attributed to the continual worry both of mind and body he has lately encountered his disastrous loss in America, and other trying causes. He wa called forward at the conclusion of the Comedy. Miss Helen Fauc played *Violante* in a very delightful manner. The other character were well sustained, especially the *Colonel Briton* of Mr. J. Webster, and Mr. Webster's *Lissardo;* the latter performance w most humourously conceived, and convulsed the audience w laughter. Howe's *Frederick* was also a sensible piece of acti After the Comedy we had occasion to welcome another great vorite of the public in the person of the accomplished Mrs. Sterl who made her first appearance here in her well known and a mired personation, *Angeline le Lis.* This lady was very warm received, and played the part in her usually fascinating manner. Webster acquitted himself well as *Middleton,* but Strickland misconceives the character of *Dr. Diaphram. Paul Pry* concluded.

VICTORIA THEATRE.—This house commences its winter season next Monday, under the entire management of the lessee, Mr. Ratcliffe, with new pieces. These will be a Nautical Mystical Drama by Haines, a Farce by Courtney, and a Melo-dramatic Spectacle, in which the dogs Hector and Bruin will appear. The following is a list of the company:—Miss Emmiline Montague, Miss Pettifer, Mdlle. Goderham, Mrs. Gomersal, Mrs. France, Mrs. Hicks, Miss Warden, Miss Williams, and a numerous and effective *corps de ballet;* Mr. Hicks, Mr. Dale, Mr. Harding, Mr. Manders, Mr. Courtney, Mr. Bender, Mr. Barton, Mr. Conway, Mr. Mc Donald, &c. The band is entirely new, and a variety of beautiful scenery has been painted for the ensuing campaign.

Miss Shirreff is to be Prima Donna at Drury Lane Theatre.

Manchester.—Mr. A. Ormonde has been delivering a "Defence

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of the British Drama," at the different Institutions in Manchester with great success. Miss L. Bruce is singing at the Concerts *a la Musard*, at the Town Hall, Salford, the first of which was given a few days since, and went off with great *eclat*. Miss Bruce was encored several times in the course of the evening. Paul Bedford is at the Queen's Theatre, starring to indifferent houses. The Olympic is deserted, and the company placed on half salaries. Mast. H. O'Connell, who is announced in the bills as the son of Daniel O'Connell, Esq. M.P., has been starring at the Queen's, but made a dreadful failure. He played *Young Norval* in the Romeo Coates's style.

Fashionable Lounges.

To the Editor of The Theatrical Observer.

DEAR MR. EDITOR.—Just wish to say a word—beg pardon, but will you excuse me—I have to mention that I've arranged so as to rub shoulders with my friends and the fashionable world at one or other of the *Grand Lounges* about town :—

Monday, stroll'd to Madame TUSSAUD's elegant Exhibition, Golden Corinthian Saloon, Baker-st., Portman Sq.—Just added to their unrivalled collection, the full length figure of the lunatic Oxford; also splendid figures of Her Majesty the Queen, Prince Albert in his military costume, the group of John Knox, reproving Mary Queen of Scots, consisting of Mary, Elizabeth, Henry VIII, Luther, Calvin, and Knox, in magnificent costumes.

Tuesday, pop into the Cosmorama Rooms, 209, Regent Street, to view a most extraordinary Oriental Entertainment, the only one in London, consisting of Legerdemain, Gymnastics, &c., by Mooty Modaya, the wonderful East Indian, from Madras, also the astonishing feats of the Amanden or Performing Ape, and the animal, called the Mangus. Hours of performance half-past 3, 5, & 7 o'clock.

Wednesday, pay a visit to the Somerset Gallery, 151, Strand, next door to Somerset House, to see a most wonderful exhibition, *The Industrious Fleas*. They dance, ride, drive a four-in-hand, fight, and in fact do everything in first rate style, exciting the admiration of all present. Afterwards visited the Royal Glass Working Exhibition, paid only sixpence, and received an article in return.

In my way from the Theatre, drop into the *Harmonic Meeting*, held at EVANS's rand Hotel, King Street, Covent Garden,—quite delighted with the excellence the singing, commences every evening at ten o'clock. When Mrs. P. is out of vn, stay a week, and only pay a guinea for bed and breakfast. I'm always be found on Saturday, at half-past five, at the Convivial Dinner held here.

Just call upon Messrs. COCKS & Co. Music Sellers to the Queen, No. 20, inces Street, Hanover Square, to procure Hamilton's Pianoforte Tutor, hich is the cheapest best book for children from four years of age, and upwards, with 31 airs, &c, fingered by Czerny, only paid 4s. for both, and Hamilton's Dictionary of 2000 musical terms, Italian, German, and French, with their significations in English, 11th edition, cost but 1s.—Recommended by all the first-rate professors and teachers of music.

"All good *spirits* come to my *Beck*," at his Dr. Johnson's Tavern, Bolt Court, Fleet Street—where you meet excellent company—capital fare at *fair* prices—delightful singing—(commences every evening at a quarter to nine,) cigars, billiards, good beds, and an enticing bill of fare.

My head ache continuing, went into PERRING's 85, Strand, and purchased one of his Patent Light Ventilating Hats—*found relief immediately*, for the price of a Doctor's fee—sorry I parted with so many; really Mr. Editor, Perring's Hats are the best medicine after all—found many fellow sufferers there.

Afterwards called at Emmett's, 27, Holborn Hill, to view his Novel Pen Maker, by which any one can make a superior Pen in less than one minute—also his improved Needle Threader, to enable Ladies, whose sight is impaired to thread their needles with the greatest ease—a most ingenious contrivance.

There is scarcely an inhabitant of this metropolis who has not heard of "Grimstone's Eye Snuff," and therefore as far as attempting to add to its popularity, it would only be like "gilding refined gold," but I must mention, that since I have called at 39, Broad Street, Bloomsbury, and purchased a 1s. 3d. and 2s, 4d. canister of this herbacious and truly delightful Snuff, it has cured my dimness of sight and head-ache, although all the faculty had failed to effect a cure.

On Saturday, I examine *Miss Linwood's* curious Needle Work, Leicester Square—just added other beautiful specimens of her art.—But I intrude—beg pardon—Your's, &c.—PAUL PRY.

Theatre Royal, Hay-market.

This Evening, the Play of

RICHELIEU

Louis XIII, Mr WEBSTER,
Gaston ... .Mr GOUGH,
Cardinal Richelieu, Mr MACREADY,
Count de Baradas.....Mr PHELPS,
The Chevalier de Mauprat, Mr J. WEBSTER,
Count de Clermont, Mr WORRELL,
The Sieur de Beringhen ..... Mr W. LACY,
Father Joseph, Mr STRICKLAND,
Huguet..Mr O. SMITH, François..Mr HOWE,
Page to Baradas, Miss GROVE,
Secretaries of State..Mess.Caulfield,Clark,&Watson
Governor of the Bastile..Mr WALDRON,
Gaoler..Mr Holland, Turnkey..Mr Santer,
Captain of the King's Archer Guard..MrGreen,
Gamester..Mr Bishop.
Julie de Mortemar..... Miss H. FAUCIT,
Marion de Lorme, Miss CHARLES.

After which, a Drama, (in One Act) called

ANGELINE.

Maurice Middleton, Mr J. WEBSTER,
Dr. Diaphram .....Mr STRICKLAND,
Simon Simkins, Mr T. F. MATHEWS,
JeanBruquer,eMrWORRELL, Amere,MrO.SMITH,
Angeline, MrsSTERLING,(her2ndAppearance here)
Nanguette, Miss MATTLEY.

To conclude with, the Farce of

Fish Out of Water

Sir George Courtly, Mr WALDRON,
Alderman Gayfare ..... Mr STRICKLAND,
Charles Gayfare, Mr J. WEBSTER,
Sam Savoury, (3rd Time) Mr DAVID REES,
Steward, Mr GOUGH, Footman, Mr CLARK,
Ellen Courtly, Miss TRAVERS,
Lucy.... .....Miss MATTLEY.

To-morrow, To Marry or Not to Marry, a Drama, and Sweethearts and Wives.

Theatre Royal, English Opera House

This Evening, *(5th Time)* a New Romantic Drama, called

Guido Fawkes!

Founded on HARRISON AINSWORTH's Historical Romance.

Master Humphrey Chetham, (*a young Merchant*) Mr FITZJAMES,
Sir R. Catesby, Mr MELVILLE, Father Oldcorne, Mr TURNOUR,
Roger Clayton, (*a Pursuivant*) Mr S. SMITH, Heydocke, Mr LEWIS
Watling Wildduck, (*Waiter at the 'Seven Stars'*) Mr R. ROMER,
Guido Fawkes, (*a Spanish Soldier*) Mr MAYNARD,
Peter Porringer, (*Landlord of the 'Seven Stars,'*) Mr GRANBY,
Walter.....Mr HARRY, Jabez....Mr KERRIDGE,
Rupert.....(*a Trooper*)....Mr SANDERS,
Oxhead, (*a Butcher*) Mr HALFORD, Woodroof, Mr BANNISTER,
Elizabeth Orton..(*the Prophetess*)..Mrs BROUGHAM,
Viviana Radcliffe..(*an Heiress of Ordsal*)...Miss FORTESCUE,
Mary Porringer, Miss BARTLETT, Nelly, Miss FITZJAMES,

To which will be added, Mark Lemon's popular Farce, called The

M. P.

For the Rotten Borough.

Mr Schemer, Mr GRANBY,
Mr Nicemen...Mr FITZJAMES, Frank Stubbs..Mr MAYNARD,
Jerry Chance, Mr COMPTON,
Bills Dabbs..Mr TURNOUR, Growl..Mr LEWIS,
Noteall..Mr HARRIES, James..Mr KERRIDGE,
Jacob.....Mr SANDERS,
Miss Schemer, Miss FITZJAMES, Betty, Miss GRANBY
Peggy Ramble, Miss FORTESCUE.

To which will be added, the Drama, in Two Acts, called

Gwynneth Vaughan.

Owen Williams, Mr FITZJAMES, Evan Pritchard, Mr MAYNARD,
Hugh Morgan..Mr G. WILD, Thomas John...Mr KERRIDGE,
Farmer Vaughan...Mr TURNOUR, Morgon Morgan..Mr GRANBY
Charles..Mr LEWIS, David..Mr SANDERS,
Gwynneth Vaughan.....Miss FORTESCUE,
Dame Williams, Mad. SIMON, Lyddy Pryse, Mrs R. ROMER.

To conclude with, the Burlesque Burletta, called

LIFE in the CLOUDS!

Jove, Mr S. SMITH, Mars, Mr MAYNARD, Hercules, Mr FREEBORN
Bacchus, Mr G. WILD, Pan, Mr R. ROMER, Mercury, Mr T. GREEN,
Apollo... ..Mrs R ROMER, Phæton,.....Miss FORTESCUE,
Silenus.....Mr SANDERS, O'Rion.....Mr BROUGHAM,
Ganymede..Miss FITZJAMES, Juno..Miss GRANBY,
Ixion, Mrs BROUGHAM, Ghost of an Inspectre, Mr KERRIDGE,

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